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SUBJECT: DUPONT AND BUCHER VISIT TO MEXICO

1. DR. ROBERT DUPONT, DIRECTOR OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF DRUG ABUSE IS PLANNING TO VISIT MEXICO JANUARY 6 - 9 FOR PURPOSE OF DISCUSSING SERIES OF MATTERS RELATING TO DRUG ABUSE PREVENTION WITH AMERICAN EMBASSY MEXICO CITY AND GOM. DUPONT WOULD LIKE EMBASSY BRIEFING CURRENT ASSESSMENT OF HEROIN TRAFFICKING IN MEXICO AND CURRENT NCAP PLANS. FURTHER HE WOULD LIKE DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING WITH GOM (PRESUMABLY CEMEF DIRECTOR BELSASSO).

A. JOINT U.S.-MEXICAN INHALANTS CONFERENCE TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR MARCH, 1976.

B. IMPACT OF INCREASED HEROIN USE ON MEXICAN HEALTH FACILITIES.

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C. POSSIBLE AREAS OF JOINT RESEARCH AND EVALUATION
PROJECTS INCLUDING REVIEW OF MEXICAN-U.S. BORDER PROJECTS.
FURTHER HE WOULD LIKE VISIT SEVERAL CEMEF TREATMENT CENTERS
AND, IF CONVENIENT, VISIT POPPY FIELDS IN CULIACAN.

2. DUPONT HAS INFORMALLY ASKED BELSASSO TO ARRANGE
VISIT TO MEXICAN PRISONS TO
DETERMINE MANNER IN WHICH MEXICANS HANDLED DRUG PROBLEM
OF PRISONERS AND TO TALK WITH U.S. CITIZENS CURRENTLY
IN MEXICAN JAILS ON DRUG CHARGES. EMBASSY COMMENT IS
WELCOME.

3. RICHARD BUCHER, ASSISTANT TO DIRECTOR, WILL BE
TRAVELING WITH DR. DUPONT. THEY PLAN TO ARRIVE IN
MEXICO CITY ON JANUARY 6 VIA AMERICAN AIRLINES 93
ARRIVING AT 2:14 P.M. CURRENT PLANS ARE FOR THEM TO
LEAVE ON JANUARY 9 VIA BRANIFF 50, DEPARTING AT 3:00 P.M.
REQUEST EMBASSY MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS.

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